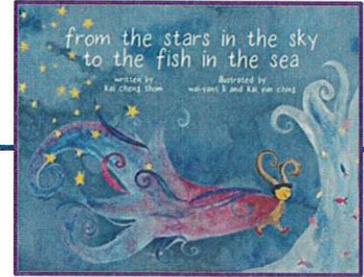


# FROM THE STARS IN THE SKY TO THE FISH IN THE SEA

## COMMUNITY DISCUSSION GUIDE

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### About the Author

Kai Cheng Thom is a writer, performance artist, social worker, fierce trans femme and notorious liar who loves lipstick and superhero cartoons.

### About the Book

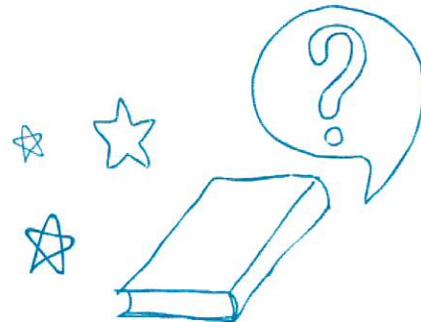
In the magical time between night and day, when both the sun and the moon are in the sky, a child is born in a little blue house on a hill. And Miu Lan is not just any child, but one who can change into any shape they can imagine. The only problem is they can't decide what to be: A boy or a girl? A bird or a fish? A flower or a shooting star? In this captivating, beautifully imagined picture book about gender, identity, and the acceptance of the differences between us, Miu Lan faces many questions about who they are and who they may be. But one thing's for sure: no matter what this child becomes, their mother will love them just the same.

### Community Discussion Questions

- + What do we learn about Miu Lin in the story? What do they like?
- + How did other kids treat Miu Lin? How did that make Miu Lin feel?
- + If you were in their class, what could you do to be an ally (be kind to) to Miu Lin?
- + What did Miu Lin's mom do to always remind them that they were loved? What makes you feel special and loved?
- + What is the author's message to us?

### Activities

- + Tell a partner about what makes you feel special and loved.
- + In the story, Miu Lin's mom tells them, "whatever you dream of, I believe you can be". Draw a picture of something you dream to be.



### Want a more in-depth learning opportunity?

Welcoming Schools has gender lesson plans, including the [From the Stars in the Sky to the Fish in the Sea Lesson Plan](#) available for download at [WelcomingSchools.org](http://WelcomingSchools.org).